

CLAIMS

1        1. A key ring comprising  
2            a key-holding ring,  
3            a band,  
4            a D-ring coupling said band to said key-holding ring,  
5            said D-ring having a U-shaped portion engaging the key-holding ring and a bar  
6            between the ends of the U-shaped portion and engaging the band.

1        2. A key ring in accordance with claim 1 wherein the band is a web of material  
2            looped through the D-ring and joined at its ends.

1        3. A key ring in accordance with claim 2 and further comprising a clamp at the  
2            ends of said web of material.

1        4. A key ring in accordance with claim 2 wherein the web portions are fastened  
2            together for most of their length to define an opening accommodating the bar of the D-ring so  
3            that the D-ring may rotate about the axis of the bar through an angle of nearly 360 degrees  
4            and the key-holding ring may ride along the inside portion of the U-shaped portion of the D-  
5            ring about an axis perpendicular to the axis of the bar and perpendicular to the band for  
6            substantially 180 degrees.

1        5. A key ring in accordance with claim 3 wherein the clamp width is  
2            substantially the same as the width of the band.

1        6. A key ring in accordance with claim 1 wherein said key-holding ring is a  
2            spiral ring of material having a cross-sectional span and said bar is formed with a gap

3 intermediate its ends of width about that of said span to allow said key-holding ring to pass  
4 through said gap into said D-ring during assembly.

1       7. A key ring in accordance with claim 2 wherein said key-holding ring is a  
2 spiral ring of material having a cross-sectional span and said bar is formed with a gap  
3 intermediate its ends of width about that of said span to allow said key-holding ring to pass  
4 through said gap into said D-ring during assembly.

1       8. A key ring in accordance with claim 3 wherein said key-holding ring is a  
2 spiral ring of material having a cross-sectional span and said bar is formed with a gap  
3 intermediate its ends of width about that of said span to allow said key-holding ring to pass  
4 through said gap into said D-ring during assembly.

1       9. A key ring in accordance with claim 4 wherein said key-holding ring is a  
2 spiral ring of material having a cross-sectional span and said bar is formed with a gap  
3 intermediate its ends of width about that of said span to allow said key-holding ring to pass  
4 through said gap into said D-ring during assembly.

1       10. A key ring in accordance with claim 5 wherein said key-holding ring is a  
2 spiral ring of material having a cross-sectional span and said bar is formed with a gap  
3 intermediate its ends of width about that of said span to allow said key-holding ring to pass  
4 through said gap into said D-ring during assembly.

1       11. A method of making a key ring that includes a key-holding ring that is a spiral  
2 ring of material having a cross-sectional span, a band, a D-ring coupling said band to said  
3 key-holding ring and having a U-shaped portion engaging the key-holding ring and a bar

- 4      between the ends of the U-shaped portion formed with a gap intermediate its ends of width  
5      about that of said span to allow said key-holding ring to pass through said gap into said D-  
6      ring during assembly, comprising,  
7                passing the key-holding ring through the gap into the D-ring,  
8                and passing the band through the D-ring.